PROJECT CONNECT COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 25, 2021

Members in Attendance:
Susana Almanza - Vice Chair
Awais Azhar - Chair
Kathryn Broadwater
Joao Paulo Connolly
Gretchen Flatau
Otmar Foehner
Theodore Fong
Jeremy Hendricks
Alex Karner
Renee Lopez
David Shapiro
Susan Somers

Members Absent:
Alberto Mejia
Brianna Snitchler - Secretary

Attendees:
Ana Aguirre
Yannis Banks
Marcia Bedford
Hala Farid
Nefertitti Jackmon
Miguel Lopez
Jackie Nirenberg
Brion Oaks
Lonny Stern
Rachel Tepper
Stephanie Webb
Jasmine Willis

CALL TO ORDER

The Project Connect Community Advisory Committee convened in a regular meeting on Wednesday, August 25, 2021 via Videoconference.

Chair Azhar called the Committee meeting to order at 5:05 PM

Land Acknowledgement

Vice Chair Almanza read a Land Acknowledgement statement.

Citizen Communication

Four citizens signed up and spoke during Citizen Communication.
    Kendra Garrett
    Tom Wald
    Yasmine Smith
    Jessica Wolff
Approval of Minutes

1. Approve the minutes of the July 21, 2021 meeting of the Project Connect Community Advisory Committee.

The minutes were approved on the 25th day of August 2021 on Chair Azhar’s motion to approve and Committee Member Hendrick’s second on a 9-0 vote.

Discussion Items

1. Introduction to Joint Partnership Agreement

Jackie Nirenberg, Manager of Community Involvement, Capital Metro, provided a presentation on the Joint Partnership Agreement and answered questions from Committee Members.

2. Equity Tool Presentation

Nefertiti Jackmon, Community Displacement Prevention Officer, City of Austin, and Brion Oaks, Chief Equity Officer, City of Austin provided a presentation on the Racial Equity Anti-Displacement Tool and answered questions from Committee Members.

3. CAC Working Groups

Awais Azhar, Chair, Community Advisory Committee, recommended four Working Groups to be formed for the Community Advisory Committee. Recommendation was approved and Committee Members volunteered for Working Groups.


Future Items

1. Identify items to discuss at future meetings.
   - Joint Partnership Agreement (JPA) Conversation
   - Equity Tool discussion with staff
   - Economic Development
     o Small Business Impacts – Susana Carbajal

ADJOURN

Chair Azhar adjourned the meeting at 6:57 PM without objection.